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STATE DEMOCRATIC TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
JOHN W. DANIEL, OF LYNCHBURG.  
FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR  
JAMES BARBOUR, OF CULPEPER.  
FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
P. W. MCKINNEY, OF FARMVILLE.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, AUGUST 11

Secretary Blaine, during the late extra session of the Senate, when the administration wanted democratic support in its fight with Conkling, told Senator Johnston, with his own mouth, that he, Blaine, was utterly opposed to the Mahone movement, and assured him that Mahone had then gotten all the federal patronage he was going to get. Hardly had the session adjourned before all the federal patronage in Virginia was placed at General Mahone's disposal, and now the Secretary says he supports the Mahone movement because he doesn't like to oppose other members of the Cabinet and the President whose favor it receives. Isn't this a pretty dish to set before the American people? The Premier of the Administration publicly avowing that the President and his Cabinet, the chosen representatives of the republican party, want that party in the State of Virginia, composed of eighty thousand voters, to dissolve its organization, subordinate itself to a few scoundrel democrats, and proclaim itself in favor of robbing the creditors of the State of thirteen millions dollars of their just claims, and all this, too, for no other purpose than to afford assistance to a wild, silly and vain attempt to defeat a large, united, thoroughly organized and confident democratic majority! The President, elected by the republican party to be sure, but still the President of the whole country, and his counselors and advisers asserting in one breath the inviolability of the debt of the Union, and in the next the violability of the debt of one of the States of the Union! And of such is republicanism under its present management.

The fighting and squabbling, and open bribery and corruption, and the final split of the republican convention in Lynchburg, make a disgraceful contrast to the recent democratic convention in Richmond. The twenty thousand dollars with which the Mahonites bought up the negro delegates at so much a head, and which they obtained from their friends in Pennsylvania, show plainly enough why General Mahone, last winter, and his agents, Riddleberger and company, since the President was wounded, made pilgrimages to the home of the Camerons to the Keystone State. Will the white people of Virginia, republicans as well as democrats, allow scoundrel democrats, by the aid of negro votes purchased in the open market by Senator Cameron's money, to take possession of their State government? Not if they know themselves, and they think they do.

Republican civil service reform is the laughing stock of the age. It was only a short time ago that federal officials were prohibited, under pain of expulsion, from taking any part that bore semblance to active participation in politics, but now almost any man who holds a federal office in this State is at Lynchburg, if not by order, at least with the consent and approbation of the Administration, and actively engaged in the work of inducing the negro delegates to the republican convention there to endorse the Mahone, seafaring, democratic ticket. There are some good and true republicans in the State, few though they be. What do they think of such proceedings?

In reference to the support General Mahone is receiving from Messrs. Dawes, Hoar, Cook, and the other bloody shirt radicals and haters and revilers of the South, the Boston Post enters into the very marrow of the question, and with the instincts of a native of Virginia, says:

"Any true Virginian who can be influenced by men who have been accustomed to spit upon the Old Dominion and make her citizens must be in a state of mind not to be envied."

The democrats in Frye's district in Maine, though in the minority, have refused to concede or make any agreement whatever with the greenbackers in that district, and will run their own straight ticket there. The republicans in Virginia, on the contrary, also in the minority, are desirous of coalescing with the Mahonites, who, if successful will repudiate the State debt.

In the same speech in which Major Daniel is reported to have said he would rather the school houses of the State were burned than dishonor should come upon Virginia by the foul blot of repudiation, he also said, and about this there is no dispute, that he would rather his own home should be burned than that Virginia should be disgraced by such dishonor.

We acknowledge the receipt of a complimentary ticket to the Loudoun Agricultural Fair to be held September 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

The Chesapeake and Ohio road expects to complete next month its track from Ashland to Sterling, Ky., and to run through trains from Covington, Ky., to Richmond by October.

The tobacco factories of Leftwich & Co., and Wood & Co., at Danville, were destroyed by fire last night, together with a quantity of tobacco stored in them. The loss is estimated at \$45,000. During the fire a man named John Kay shot a man named Thomas Dent for quarreling with a woman who was with Dent. Kay escaped. Dent's wound may prove mortal.

## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPH NEWS

### FROM LYNCHBURG.

[Special to the Alexandria Gazette.]  
Lynchburg, August 9, 1881.—Excitement is great, at least three-fourths of the delegates having arrived, and so far the straightouts have a considerable majority, but I doubt that there will be a full convention, for Cochrane, Chairman of the State Central Committee, has rented one hall and the readjuster members of the committee have rented another, and the present plan of the readjusters is to get Cochrane to call a meeting of the committee, and the majority of the committee here being readjusters, they propose removing Cochrane and putting a man of their own in, and with Brooks, Secretary, would fix a list of the readjusters on the roll of the temporary organization. But Cochrane refuses to call the meeting, and is determined to maintain his right to arrange the roll for the temporary organization, and as Cochrane will undoubtedly be backed to the full extent by the straightouts, we will control the organization. Tickets will be issued by Cochrane to delegates, alternates, and members of the press to admit them to the hall, and thus keep others out. The readjusters are endeavoring to prevent their men from going to the hall rented by the straightouts, and trying to get them to go to their own hall, and then reconvene the session at Petersburg when anyone attempted to go against the Mahonites. There will be a caucus of the straightouts at 8, and the full programme will then be arranged. Jorgensen, Dandorf, Wickham, Yost, J. F. Lewis, L. L. Lewis and other notables are here.

The readjusters have a committee of 20 at every train to pick up delegates and try to run them into their den.

The readjusters are spending money freely, and using whiskey freely, and as a consequence there are a great many drunk on the street and discussions are warm. All the hotels are crowded.

Lynchburg, August 10.—The following, it is said, will be the financial plank in the platform as proposed by the straightouts: "Resolved, That we hold the preservation of the public credit of our State as the paramount duty of the authorities of the State; that we regard the fidelity with which the republican party of the nation has preserved its financial freedom, the brightest page in its history; that we believe the country owes its present financial and commercial prosperity in a great degree to this wise and just policy, and so believing, we hereby pledge ourselves to the maintenance of the sacred obligations of the Commonwealth to her creditors."

The readjusters will of course object to this plank, and the straightouts will refuse to accept any substitute that speaks of repudiation, and upon this, as upon many other points, there may be a split.

The straightouts claim that they have one hundred and ten delegates certain, thirty are doubtful, and that the readjusters have only sixty six votes, but the doubtful delegations render any certain count impossible.

Should there be a split, of which there is every probability, it is said the straightouts will nominate General Wickham for Governor; Mr. Yost, editor of the Valley Virginian, for Lieutenant Governor, and Judge Willoughby, of Alexandria, for Attorney General.

Lynchburg, Aug. 10.—10 a. m.—The city is full of delegates to the Convention, among whom are Wickham, Dandorf, Jorgensen, Yost and Yankee Allen, straightout, and ex-Senator Lewis, P. P. Blair, L. L. Lewis, Collector Brady and others, Mahonites.

Both sides are striving to obtain control of the Convention, and the greatest excitement prevails around the headquarters of the opposing factions.

Charges and counter charges are being made. The straightouts claim to have a majority of the delegates, but say that twenty thousand dollars peddled Mahone by his Pennsylvania friends is being used here to buy up members. Both parties are in earnest deliberation upon what action to take.

The straightouts propose that the Convention shall favor no endorsements, but recommend that nominations be made in republican counties for the Legislature. To this the Mahonites interpose objection, and also propose that all the contesting delegations to the Convention be thrown out. Such action would give the Mahonites a decided majority in the Convention.

Both sides are waging a bitter warfare over the compromise measures.

The State Central Committee is in session, considering the proposed compromise proposition; also a proposition to remove Cochrane, the straightout chairman.

Yankee Allen claims that the straightouts must have a majority on all the committees, and that they will never submit to the Convention being controlled by men who voted for Hancock.

To this Brady replies that the straightouts will never get control of the Convention or its committee.

The straightouts say that they will make the ticket and name the following:  
For Governor, W. C. Wickham.  
For Lieutenant Governor, S. M. Yost.  
For Attorney General, Allen or Willoughby.  
Or Y. S. for Governor, Stark, of Brunswick.  
For Lieutenant Governor and S. F. Booth, of Alexandria, for Attorney General.

Lynchburg, Va., Aug. 10.—3:30 p. m.—All efforts at a compromise having failed, the straightout convention was called to order at 12 m. in Holcomb Hall, when J. G. Wilson, colored, of Norfolk, was chosen temporary chairman and George Rye, former treasurer of the State under the Wells regime, scretary.

In his address upon taking the chair, Wilson said that the party that would repudiate the honest debts of the State would repudiate the rights of the people.

Dandorf favored the appointment of a committee to invite the absent delegates into the convention.

Gen. W. Arnold, colored, opposed the motion and denounced Mahone and "his gang" in severe terms. He said he would "rather take John Daniel's little finger than the whole gang of ballot box stuffers."

A committee on credentials and a committee of nine to invite into the convention the absent delegates, were appointed and the convention took a recess till 3 o'clock.

This bolting Mahonites organized in the Opera House with Josiah Crump, colored, as temporary chairman and R. R. Brooks as secretary.

After considerable wrangling over the appointment of the committees, Col. J. R. Poppleman stating that he was ashamed of the proceedings, this convention also adjourned till 3 p. m.

The two factions are about equally divided, but the Mahonites are at war among themselves. Upon the reassembling of the two bodies another effort will be made to compromise the difference.

The Mahonites confess to a weakness by refusing to take part in the regular convention. A straightout ticket will certainly be nominated, and the bolters will endorse the Mahone nominees.

Dead.

POKERFEST, August 10.—Mr. Matthew Vassar died this morning.

## THE PRESIDENT'S CONDITION.

### GRAVE APPREHENSIONS STILL EXISTING.

(Official Bulletin.)  
EXECUTIVE MANSION, August 10, 8 a. m.—The President slept soundly during the night and this morning his temperature is again normal although his pulse is still frequent. At present it is 104, temperature 98.5, respiration 19.

(Unofficial Bulletin.)

EXECUTIVE MANSION, July 10, 10:55 a. m.—The enormous fever which has been the most marked feature of the President's case for the past three or four days subsided entirely during the night, and the patient's temperature this morning was normal for the first time since Sunday. The breaking of the fever was followed by a profuse perspiration, and the rather high pulse shown by the mercuric bulletin is probably due to weakness resulting therefrom. The discharge of pus at the morning dressing was unusually copious, showing that the wound is now perfectly and thoroughly drained. The drainage tube was put in again and the wound washed out with a weak solution of carbolic acid. Since the dressing the patient has taken nourishment in the shape of milk and lime water, and at this hour he is quiet and comfortable. The surgeons report that he is doing well.

(Official Bulletin.)

EXECUTIVE MANSION, Aug. 10, 12:30 p. m.—The President is getting through the day in a very satisfactory manner. He has asked for an taken a small quantity of solid food in addition to the liquid nourishment allowed. At the morning dressing the discharge of pus through the new opening was more free than at any previous time; is clear and was good and the wound looks well. His temperature and respiration continue within the normal range, though the debility following the operation is still shown by frequency of pulse. At present his pulse is 110; temperature 98.6; respiration 19.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—The following was sent this p. m.:

To Lowell, Minister, London:  
At one o'clock p. m. the President's condition has not essentially changed since the morning report. At 12 noon he signed an important public document, to which his signature was indispensable, with a firm hand.

(Signed) ELAINE, Secretary.

### Terrible Accident.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—The village of Pleasant Plains was on Monday night the scene of a fearful railway accident, by which two poor women lost their lives and two others narrowly escaped the same fate, but received considerable injury. At Prince's Bay, about a mile from the scene of the accident, there is a boarding house kept by Mr. George Higgins. Among the guests were Mrs. Martha Farber (of Brooklyn) and her family, and Mrs. Elizabeth Higgins. After dinner a little party was formed to drive into Pleasant Plains for the purpose of purchasing some groceries. The party consisted of Mrs. Higgins, her daughter, Miss Lona B. Higgins, Mrs. Farber and Mrs. Higgins. After making their purchases the ladies were driving home, and just as the quartet reached the railroad the horse came to a sudden stop. Miss Lona urged the horse, either she nor the other ladies, it seems, being aware that the train was coming on. Miss Higgins finally struck him with the reins. He mounted the track and came to a dead stop and another instant the engine struck them, dashing them right and left, and killing along with death and destruction behind. Miss Higgins and Mrs. Farber breathed their last in pain and anguish. Mrs. Higgins and Mrs. Higgins escaped with their lives and without having any limbs broken. The horse was flung on the opposite side of the track into a ditch and was killed on the spot; the wagon was broken into fragments.

### A Foul Crime.

PHILADELPHIA, August 10.—The arrest of a miserably named George Higgins, residing at No. 245 Arch street, at the instigation of his wife, and a hearing before Magistrate Myers yesterday morning developed the details of a crime that is without parallel. On Monday night last Mrs. Higgins, who is a middle-aged woman, visited the Eighteenth district station house and entered complaint against her husband that on two occasions he had committed an indecent assault upon his daughter Mary, an attractive but modest girl of 17. The girl's story was to the effect that on the evening of Sunday, July 31, while she was in bed in her own room her father, who was somewhat under the influence of liquor entered her room and deliberately dragged her in her night clothes to his room and then drove his wife out of the room and locked the door. Despite her appeals and pleas the villain assaulted her repeatedly, and after her with death if she exposed him to any one, and especially to her mother. On the following Tuesday he repeated the crime under exactly the same circumstances, again dragging her from her room.

### Caught by a Mermaid.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., August 9.—A young lady of this place while bathing near Jones Point, Chautauque Lake, had a narrow escape from drowning a day or two ago. A turtle caught hold of her ear, which caused her to scream frightfully, and but for the timely arrival of associates she would have scrambled for her life. In order to extricate the turtle's teeth from her ear she took to swimming to pry it loose apart. The lady went through the process bravely, but says she will never again bathe in the Chautauque.

### Murdering a Farmer.

CUMBERLAND, Md., August 10.—Hanson Brown, a farmer, living eight miles from Lynnhaven, in this county, was murdered yesterday afternoon by a man who started home with him in a wagon, who returned to Lynnhaven, and said that the farmer had been killed to death by his horse. On examination bruises were found about the dead man's body, and the assailant, whose name cannot be learned, was arrested and held to await the Coroner's verdict. Brown is a brother of lawyer Jacob Brown, of Cumberland.

### Coughing Up a Bullet.

NEW YORK, August 10.—Dr. R. W. St. Clair, of Brooklyn, who for nearly twenty years has carried a bullet in his breast which he received in an engagement with the rebels in Virginia, was seized with a violent fit of coughing a few days ago, to which he coughed up the bullet. He thinks that the bullet lodged against the bronchial tubes, where an abscess formed which discharged the bullet into the tube. He had for some time been afflicted with bronchial troubles, but already is beginning to improve.

### Cut his Throat on his Wife's Grave.

BAYLON, L. I., August 10.—Joseph D. Zimzmer, a wealthy Freeholder, was found on his wife's grave this morning with his throat cut from ear to ear. By his side were two large revolvers and two razors. A letter was found in which he explained that the death of his wife works since had driven him to the act.

### Dr. Bonar.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Aug. 10.—The largest week day audience yet known gathered at Northfield yesterday afternoon to hear Dr. Bonar preach on "Repentance."

The advent camp meeting in session here this week is largely attended, many Western people being on the ground. Rev. P. G. Bowman, of South Carolina, preaches this afternoon.

### Cow Boy Killed.

GALVESTON, Tex., August 10.—A New special from Hecretia states that a cow boy,

named Wm. Cowan, was shot and killed by Jas. Williams, another cow boy, a few miles from this town.

### Pennsylvania Democrats.

HARRISBURG, Pa., August 10.—The Democratic State Committee met at Harrisburg today and named September 28th as the day, and Williamsport as the place, for holding the State Convention.

### Suicide.

PARIS, August 10.—Daniel Levy, money changer at the Grand Hotel, blew out his brains to day in consequence of his being involved in a law suit.

### Financial.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—The Post's financial strictly says: The stock exchange markets are very dull to day. The share speculation has thus far resulted in lower prices, the decline ranging from 1/16 to 1/8 per cent. U. S. bonds are lower for the day, and otherwise unchanged. State bonds are higher for North and South Carolina and Arkansas issues, and lower for Tennessee and Virginia issues. R. R. bonds are dull and steady to strong, with the changes slight. The money market is very easy at 2 1/2 per cent for call loans.

### The Markets.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 10.—Virginia 68 old — 10 deferred 15 1/2; do consolidated 67; do 21 series 17 1/2; past due coupons 9 1/2; new 10 1/4 for 100 to-day.

BALTIMORE, August 10.—Cotton steady; middling 12. Flour higher and very strong; Howard street and Western super 4-5 1/2; do extra 4-7 1/2; do family 6-8 1/2; City Mills super 4-5 1/2; do extra 6-7 1/2; do family 7-8 1/2; do Rio brands 6-7 1/2; Patuxent family 5-7 1/2. Wheat—Southern higher and firm; Western firmer, closing quiet and easy; Southern red 128 1/2; do amber 130 1/2; do No 1 Maryland 134 1/2; No 2 Western winter red spot and August 130 1/2; Western white 134 1/2; do do mixed 35 1/2. Corn—Southern firm; Western higher, but inactive; Southern white 61 1/2; do yellow nominally 62; Western mixed spot and Aug 61 1/2; Sept 62 1/2; Oct 61 1/2; do 55. Oats higher and in fair demand; Southern 35 1/2; Western white 45 1/2; do do mixed 35 1/2. Rye nominally 54 1/2. Hay quiet; prime to choice Penna and Maryland 16-18. Cattle quiet and firm; Rio cargoes ordinary to fair 10 1/2. Sugar easier and slow; A soft 13. Whiskey firmer at 12 1/2 1/2.

NEW YORK, August 10.—Rocks dull. Money 2 1/2. Flour steady. Wheat a shade easier. Corn unchanged.

### FOREIGN NEWS.

The vomito has broken out in Oudeve, Mexico.

It is reported that the Pope is going to Malta to reside.

The Countess d'Eu, a daughter of Dom Pedro, emperor of Brazil, has given birth to a son in Paris.

The retrocession of the Transvaal to the Boers has been effected and the entry into Pretoria by called the "South African Republic."

At a meeting of the land league in Dublin yesterday Father Cawell, who presided, said the land bill was nothing to them, and that the league should continue to resist landlordism.

A German nationalist, has been murdered by the natives of the island of New Britain, in the Pacific ocean. Reports from other islands in the vicinity speak of the increasing treachery and animosity of the savages.

During the past week \$2,795 were contributed to the Irish land league—the whole from America and New Zealand. An official return shows that up to the 2nd instant 192 persons have been imprisoned under the coercion act.

### Letter from London County.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]  
HAMILTON, VA., Aug. 19, 1880.—August court is over. It occurred yesterday. I was there. The natives of London county who have not been to August court can't be found to day. Yesterday was a genuine old fashioned August court. The colored folks were out in force; the Parkersville Band was there in its glory. The politician, the ditto, the merchant, the trader, all had their hands full.

The events of the day were as follows: The Mahone candidate for Attorney General made a speech. He don't look like a b-d man, but he called us bad names. They say "handsome as handsome does," and he must be a bad man.

He abused the democratic party fearfully. I am a survivor; I hope it will. If the Camerons and Lewis are going to feed the intelligent natives of London on such stuff as Col. Blair gave them, they will find it a great waste of ration.

While Blair spoke the county convention worked. He was outside; they were inside the Court House. Three candidates were put in nomination—Dr. Geo. E. Pleser, Louis T. Jones and Chas. J. Brown. A ballot was taken, but before the result was announced a motion was made and Dr. G. E. Pleser unanimously declared the choice of the convention. Dr. Pleser is a physician of standing in this county; at his home in Southwicks he is no oracle. Every body speaks well of him; he is a modest, retiring, yet warm hearted social gentleman, a scholar, and a man of sound common sense and judgment, and will be elected without doubt.

At the county election, land and anti-slavery calls were made for C. L. Peyton, to which he responded in his usual happy manner. He made a short but telling speech. The people of the county are with Col. P., and there is no doubt, but he is their choice for Senator for this district. He will make a brilliant one if chosen, but the joint convention is in the hands of our party leaders and the result we can't determine. They meet next Saturday at Middleburg and the contest will be between Col. H. E. Peyton and Henry Heaton with the chances we believe in favor of the form.

We left Judge Thomas speaking, but had not time to hear him; of course he made a good speech; he always does.

The republicans attempted to settle their difficulties yesterday but failed. The secretary of the convention refused to sign the credentials of the delegates, and a petition is being signed by the straightouts, protesting against their admission into the Lynchburg convention.

Your city was represented at court by Wm. H. May, James W. Carr, of Kelly & Carr, Capt. Herbert Bryant and John J. Jamison, esq., perhaps others.

Watermelons were plentiful, whiskey flew freely and the day will be recorded as a genuine old fashioned day of rejoicing, nothing having occurred to mar its pleasure. May we live to see many more such.

Mr. A. B. Taylor, of the 'Ry & Taylor Manufacturing Co.' Springfield, Mass., is pleased to say: My aunt, Mrs. P. H. Perry, of Mount Clair, N. J., while visiting at our house tried St. Jacobs Oil for rheumatism and neuralgia and found immediate relief every time. She pronounced it the best thing she had ever tried for the trouble.

DON'T OVERLOOK THIS.—2,000 yards short ends of these beautiful designs in shirtings, printed on Wamsatta muslin at 12 1/2 a yard at 10 1/2 1/2.

Beauty, health, and happiness for ladies in "WINE OF CARDUI."

For sale by E. S. Leachester & Bro.

LACES! LACES!—A new supply just opened at [aug 10] 1/2. I. EICHENBERG'S.

CORSETS! CORSETS!—Fresh supply just received at [aug 10] 1/2. I. EICHENBERG'S.

## FROM WASHINGTON.

### Special Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 10, 1881.

The President's condition to day is worse than it has been at any time since he received his wound. The bulletins concerning him present his case in as favorable terms as is compatible with the credulity of the public, but there is no doubt that his physicians are considerably alarmed, and that they await the developments of the next few hours with great anxiety. Previous to the mid day bulletin they were in hopes that the examination upon which that was based would show a decrease in his pulse, for the reason that as there is now a free and unobstructed exit to the pus, a continuance of the fever would show that it was not occasioned by retained matter, but by other and more serious causes. The mid-day bulletin does not show a diminution in the rapidity of the pulse, but, on the contrary, an increase, 110, the highest it has ever been at the same hour, but weak, indicating the approach of a typhoid state, which if reached will render his recovery almost impossible. The two consulting physicians are still absent, but are expected to return. The impression that the President will not get well is becoming more and more general, and this is having a perceptible influence upon the price of stocks.

The annual meeting of the Association of Traveling Passenger Agents of the United States and Canada was held at the Metropolitan Hotel in this city to day. They determined to hold their meeting next summer at Montreal, Canada, by a vote of 32 to 31 for Atlanta, Ga., one of the members saying, after the meeting was over, that they could buy their fall and winter seats in Canada duty free. Upon invitation of Mr. Janowicz agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad, the members of the Association will visit Mr. Vernon to morrow.

Mr. Garrett, of the B. & O. R. R., the owner of the Mt. Vernon Cotton Mill in Alexandria, says he owns three cotton mills, and has not time to spare to run the one at Alexandria, but would be very glad if a stock company could be formed there to run it, and would subscribe liberally to the stock. He says the report that the machinery has been removed from there is entirely incorrect, the only pieces taken away being duplicates of others still there.

Mr. Rogers, the banker, was reported to be dying last night, but was better this morning. His disease is dysentery. One of his physicians is Dr. Ashford, who was a member of the 17th Virginia Infantry during the war. He says that his patient is as sick as a man ever was to recover.

The Virginia democratic association of Washington has already commenced operations in the Virginia campaign, in the way of printing and distributing documents. They are contemplating getting up a meeting here to ratify the democratic ticket recently nominated at Richmond. Among the speakers to be invited is Mr. George Mushbach, of Alexandria.

George Williams, once a young negro preacher in Alexandria, Virginia, but a prominent republican member of the legislature of Ohio from Cincinnati has "skipped" that city and gone to parts unknown, leaving behind him many reminders in the shape of unpaid bills in the hands of both democrats and republicans.

As regards Secretary Blaine's position on the Mahone question the Gazette's correspondent is confident that though he told Senator Johnston during the extra session of the S. senate that he was opposed to it, he is now in favor of it, and bases his support of it upon the ground of a dislike to oppose the President and the other members of the Cabinet who give it their assistance.

Captain Rodgers has commenced driving piles for the trestle work on the flats below the Long Bridge, on which cars, which are already crowded, are to convey the mud that is to be dredged from the channel along the Washington wharves to the center of the flats.

### NEWS OF THE DAY.

Judge James D. Colt, of the Massachusetts Supreme Bench committed suicide at Pittsfield yesterday, by shooting himself through the head with a pistol. He had been in bad health for some time.

Robert J. Jordan, a Philadelphia policeman, has resigned his position because of the appointment of colored patrolmen in the district to which he was attached; and this in the city of brother love and equality of the races.

A train derailed near Central City, Colorado, on Monday afternoon, doing great damage. One man was drowned. The same storm struck Idaho Springs, and carried away several houses. A girl six years of age was drowned.

Orvil L. Grant, was buried at Elizabeth, N. J., on Monday. General Grant, his son, Col. Frederick Dent Grant and Mrs. Hannah Grant, his mother, were among the mourners. Mrs. Hannah Grant is eighty two years old. Orvil was six years old. He leaves a widow and four children.

Mr. Riegs, the banker of Washington, whose illness was mentioned in yesterday's Gazette, has been suffering for nearly two weeks with hemorrhage of the stomach. Late yesterday evening he was resting much easier than he had been during the day, and was certainly no worse.

The acting counsel for Hartmann, the Russian nihilist, recently addressed a letter to Secretary Blaine demanding to know whether it was true that Hartmann would be extradited. Secretary Blaine replied in a vigorous letter, denying the right of counsel to be informed in advance of the intentions of the government.

The will of the late David Carroll, of Baltimore, is a somewhat remarkable document in that it appropriates \$100,000, to be expended in defending the last testament of the deceased in the event of any attempt on the part of the legatees to contest its validity in the courts. Mr. Carroll left an estate estimated to be worth several millions of dollars.

A lively scandal has been developed in the Treasury Department at Washington. The principals in the case are Stephen D. Skeon, foreman of the laborers' corps, and a pretty female clerk, whose name is Elizabeth McColloah. Skeon is a married man with eight children, and having become enamored of this Treasury siren, not only bestowed upon her all of his affection, but the principal part of his salary, leaving his poor wife and children to shift for themselves. Yesterday afternoon he undertook to instal his new found love under the same roof with his wife. A storm was the result, and the facts became public. The investigation of the matter was at once begun by the Treasury Department, and two witnesses will undoubtedly result therefrom. In the meantime Skeon is suspended.

### No Good Preaching.

No man can do a good job of work, preach a good sermon, try a law suit well, doctor a patient or write a good article on his foetus miserable and dull, with sluggish brain and untidy nerves, and none should make the attempt in such a condition when it can be so easily and cheaply removed by a little Hop Bitters—*Albury Times*.

Attention A. L. I.—There will be a meeting of the Alexandria Light Infantry, Friday, August 12th, 1881, at 8 p. m. Full